humble and respectful homage to all those martyrs who gave their lives for the cause of Independence and to all those who have suffered in this cause. Their struggle and sacrifice for liberating Mother India from the foreign yoke will ever be remembered. We can pay no better tribute to all those who laid down theid lives for the country than to re-affirm our commitment to uphold the sovereignty and integrity of our country and to serve our people in the best traditions of this great land.

On this occasion, may I suggest, and I hope, the House will agree with me, that we should have some appropriate memorial in Delhi where a grateful nation could offer its homage to all those who suffered and made supreme sacrifice so that we could live as a free nation.

I would request the Members to rise in their places and observe a minute's silence as a mark of respect to the memory of martyrs and freedom fighters.

[*Hon. Members then stood in silence for one minute.*]

The Vice-Chairman (Shri R. Ramakrishnan) in the Chair.]

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Reports (1983) of the various rural Banks and related papers

II. Audited Accounts (16th to 31st December, 1983) of the Surendranagar, Bhavnagar Gramin Bank Surendranagar

III. The Coinage (Standard Weight and remedy of the commemorative coin of 25 paise containing copper 75 percent and nickel 25 percent coined for "Forestry for Development") Rules, 1985.

IV. Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) and related papers

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Sir, on behalf of **Shri Vishwanath Partap Singh**, I beg to lay on the Table :—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) First Annual Report of the Nagaland Rural Bank, Kohima, for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. See No. LT—1280/85.]

(ii) First Annual Report of the Ratnagiri Sindhudurg Gramin Bank, Ratnagiri, for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1283/85.]

(iii) First Annual Report of the Akola Gramin Bank, Akola, for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1284/85.]

(iv) First Annual Report of the Mizoram Rural Bank, Aizawal for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1286/85.]

(v) Fourth Annual Report of the Lakhimi Gaonlia Bank, Golaghat (Assam), for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1291/85.]

(vi) Fourth Annual Report of the Pratapgarh Kshetrya Gramin

Bank, Pratapgarh, for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See No.* LT—1281/85.]

(vii) Fourth Annual Report of the Kalahandi Anchalika Gramya Bank, Bahadur Bagichapara (Bhawanipatna) for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1282/85.]

(viii) Fourth Annual Report of the Faizabad Kshetriya Gramin Bank, Faizabad, for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Audtiors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1285/85.]

(ix) Audited Accounts of the Surendranagar Bhavnagar Gramin Bank, Surendranagar, for the period from 16th to 31st December, 1983 [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1290/85.]

(x) Eighth Annual Report of the Marwar Gramin Bank, Pali (Rajasthan) for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1287/85.]

(xi) Eighth Annual Report of the Himachal Gramin Bank, Mandi (Himachal Pradesh) for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1288/85.]

(xii) Eighth Annual Report of the Tungabhadra Gramin Bank, Bellary, for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT— 1289/85.]

(xiii) Eighth Annual Report of the Bolangir Anchalik Gramya Bank, Bolangir, for the year ended the 31st December, 1983, together with Accounts and Auditors' Report thereon. (Placed in Library. *See* No. LT— 1292/85]

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), Notification S. O. No. 3083, dated the 6th July, 1985, publishing the Coiage (Standard Weight and Remedy of the commemorative coin of 25 paise containing copper 75 per cent and nickel 25 per cent coined for "Forestry for Development") Rules 1985, under sub-section 3 of section 21 of the Coinage Act, 1906. (Placed in Library. See No. LT—1324/85.

III. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revanue), together with Explanatory Memoranda thereon:—

(i) G.S.R No. 623(E), dated the 1st August, 1985, exempting ornaments and the like articles made of gold or siver from excise duty.

(ii) G.S.R. 624(E), dated the 1st August, 1985, fixing effective rtaes of excise duty for tyres of size F 7815 for rayon tyres and Nylon and radial tyres.

(iii) G. S. R. Nos. 626(E) and 627(E), dated the 1st August, 1985, modifying the excise duty exemption to goods falling under item 68 produced in a unit not coming under the purview of the Factories Act, 1948.

[Placed in Library. *See* No LT—1306/85 for (i) to (iii).]

The Fertiliser (Control) Amendment Order, 1985

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): Sir, I beg to